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SUBJ: EXPANSION OF VOLZHKIY AUTOMOBILE PLANT (TOGLIATTI)

PASS COMMERCE/ BEWT

1. DURING MEETING APRIL 12 BETWEEN GM VICE PRESIDENT HARLOW GAGE AND SOVIET FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER PATOLICHEV, LATTER STATED SOVIETS HAVE ASKED FIAT TO DOUBLE CAPACITY OF VOLZHKIY AUTOMOBILE PLANT AT TOGLIATTI AND THAT FIAT HAS AGREED. THAT WOULD REPRESENT ULTIMATE CAPACITY OF OVER 1.3 MILLION CARS SINCE TOTAL OUTPUT OF THREE INES OF PRESENT PLANT WHEN ALL OPERATING SCHEDULED TO BE 660,000 PER YEAR.

2. IN VIEW OF EXTENSIVE SALES OF US AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT MADE THROUGH FIAT FOR PRESENT STAGE OF TOGLIATTI PLANT, WE ASSUME THERE WOULD BE EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR US EXPORTERS TO SUPPLY EQUIPMENT FOR THIS SECOND STAGE OF PLANT. REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHAT SPECIFICS WILL EMERGE IN ANY CONTRACT BETWEEN FIAT AND SOVIETS.

3. SUGGEST COMMERCE PASS WORD TO AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY WE HAVE HEARD FROM GOOD SOURCE THAT TOGLIATTI PLANT IS TO BE EXPANDED AND LET COMPANIES INITIATE INQUIRIES EITHER DIRECTLY TO SOVIETS (AVTOPROMIMPORT OR MINISTRY OF AUTO-
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MOTIVE INDUSTRY) OR TO FIAT.
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